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In the Matter of

Amendment of Parts 22, 90 and 94  
of the Commission's Rules to Permit  
Routine Use of Signal Boosters

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WT Docket No. 95-70  
RM-8200

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To: The Commission

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF COMMENT DATE

The American Mobile Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("AMTA" or the "Association"), in accordance with Section 1.46(b) of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or the "Commission") Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(b), respectfully requests that the Commission extend the Comment Date in the above-entitled proceeding for thirty (30) days, until Monday, August 14, 1995.<sup>1</sup>

I. INTRODUCTION

AMTA is a nationwide, non-profit trade association dedicated to the interests of the specialized business wireless communications industry. The Association's members include trunked and conventional 800 and 900 MHz SMR operators, licensees of wide-area SMR systems, and commercial licensees in the 220 MHz band. All of these licensees operate under Part 90 of the Commission's Rules. Since the

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<sup>1</sup> *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WT Docket No. 95-70, FCC 95-204 (adopted May 17, 1995 and released June 22, 1995) ("NPR" or the "Notice").

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Commission proposes to allow Part 90 licensees operating in bands above 150 MHz to use signal boosters, most of AMTA's members' businesses would be affected by the Commission's decision in the instant proceeding. Therefore, the Association has a significant interest in the outcome of the proceeding.

## II. EXTENSION REQUEST

In the NPR, the Commission proposes to allow the routine use of both one-way and two-way signal boosters by various paging and land mobile licensees. It further proposes to allow licensees to install and operate signal boosters without obtaining separate authorization for the devices, so long as the licensee does not expand its existing coverage area. NPR at ¶ 12.

The FCC provided fewer than thirty days for examination of its proposal and preparation of comments on this technical issue. Since the use of signal boosters has not previously been allowed to most Part 90 licensees, AMTA's members are unfamiliar with the likely impact of these devices on their systems. Some members are concerned that the widespread use of signal boosters, without significant restrictions, may increase the risk of harmful interference.

To provide the Commission with an accurate and complete record in this proceeding, AMTA's Technology Committee is currently assembling technical data on the probable impact of signal booster operation. However, additional time is needed to collect data from members and assemble it for submission to the

Commission. AMTA believes that an additional thirty (30) days should suffice to complete this process.

Therefore, the Association requests that the FCC extend the Comment date until Monday, August 14, 1995. While the Association is aware that this proceeding is not highly complex, it is convinced that technical data will assist the Commission in making a decision in this matter that will serve the public interest and meet the objectives of the agency. The limited extension herein requested will enable AMTA and other interested parties to submit more thorough and better supported Comments which will be beneficial to the FCC in its ultimate decision.

### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons described herein, AMTA respectfully requests that the FCC

extend the Comment date in the above-entitled proceeding until Monday, August 14, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

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ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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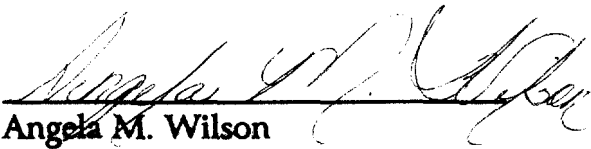
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